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FOR THE AMBASSADOR FROM THE SECRETARY

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: UN, SF, FR, US

SUBJECT:FRENCH CONCERN AT US TACTICS AT UN RE SOUTH
AFRICA

REF: PARIS 31522

PLEASE DELIVER THE MESSAGE TRANSMITTED BELOW TO FOREIGN
MINISTER DE GUIRINGAUD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE:

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"THANK YOU FOR YOUR MESSAGE OF OCTOBER 27
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